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Title: COMPOSITE PRODUCTS, METHODS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Before the first action in this case, please amend this application as follows.

TC:1700 MAIL ROOM

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Before the first line of the application, please insert the following.

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This is a divisional of U.S. patent application No. 09/173,917 filed on October 16, 1998, now U.S. Patent No._

REMARKS

Claims 41-89 remain in this case.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would aid the prosecution of this case in any way, please call the undersigned at (650) 71/2-0340.

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